

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

B-2387  
MHT Inventory No.

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
REGISTRATION FORM**

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1. Name of Property

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historic name: 202-06 West Pratt Street

other name/site number: P. J. Crickett's

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2. Location

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street & number: 202-06 West Pratt Street not for publication: n/a

city/town: Baltimore vicinity: n/a

state: MD county: (independent city) code: 510 zip code: 21201

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3. Classification

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Ownership of Property: private

Category of Property: building

Number of Resources within Property:

Contributing	Noncontributing
<u>3</u>	<u>      </u> buildings
<u>      </u>	<u>      </u> sites
<u>      </u>	<u>      </u> structures
<u>      </u>	<u>      </u> objects
<u>3</u>	<u>0</u> Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: 0

Name of related multiple property listing: Cast-iron Architecture of Baltimore

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4. State/Federal Agency Certification

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X See continuation sheet.

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## ===== 5. National Park Service Certification =====

I, hereby certify that this property is:

\_\_\_\_\_ entered in the National Register \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ See continuation sheet. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ determined eligible for the \_\_\_\_\_
National Register \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ See continuation sheet. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ determined not eligible for the \_\_\_\_\_
National Register \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ removed from the National Register \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ other (explain): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Keeper\_\_\_\_\_  
Date  
of Action

## ===== 6. Function or Use =====

Historic: COMMERCE/TRADESub: store, warehouseCurrent : COMMERCE/TRADESub: restaurant

## ===== 7. Description =====

Architectural Classification:

OTHER:vernacularcommercial

Other Description: \_\_\_\_\_

Materials: foundation \_\_\_\_\_ roof \_\_\_\_\_
walls brick other \_\_\_\_\_
cast iron

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

X See continuation sheet.

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## 8. Statement of Significance

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Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties: locally.Applicable National Register Criteria: A, CCriteria Considerations (Exceptions) : n/aAreas of Significance: ARCHITECTURE  
COMMERCE  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_Period(s) of Significance: ca. 1870-1941 \_\_\_\_\_Significant Dates: ca. 1870 \_\_\_\_\_Significant Person(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_Cultural Affiliation: n/a \_\_\_\_\_Architect/Builder: unknown \_\_\_\_\_  
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State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

X See continuation sheet.

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## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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X See continuation sheet.

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- ☐ preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
- ☐ previously listed in the National Register
- ☐ previously determined eligible by the National Register
- ☐ designated a National Historic Landmark
- ☐ recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Location of Additional Data:

- ☐ State historic preservation office
- ☐ Other state agency ☐ Federal agency ☐ Local government
- ☐ University
- ☐ Other -- Specify Repository: \_\_\_\_\_

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## 10. Geographical Data

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Acreage of Property: \_\_\_\_\_

USGS quad: Baltimore East, MD

UTM References: Zone Easting Northing      Zone Easting Northing

A    \_\_\_\_\_      B    \_\_\_\_\_  
C    \_\_\_\_\_      D    \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description: \_\_\_\_ See continuation sheet.

Boundary Justification: \_\_\_\_ See continuation sheet.

The nominated property comprises the city lot upon which the resource stands.

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## 11. Form Prepared By

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Name/Title: Peter E. Kurtze, Architectural HistorianOrganization: for Baltimore Heritage, Inc.      Date: May 14, 1990Street & Number: 109 Brandon Road      Telephone: (301) 828-1644City or Town: Baltimore      State: MD      ZIP: 21212

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HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Piedmont

Chronological/Developmental Period(s): Industrial/Urban Dominance,  
1870-1930;  
Modern, 1930-[1941]

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s): Architecture, Landscape  
Architecture and Community  
Planning;  
Economic (Commercial and  
Industrial)

Resource Type: Architecture:  
urban vernacular; standing structure  
Economic (Commercial and Industrial):  
manufacturing/warehouse/store; standing structure

Category: Building

Historic Environment: dense urban development

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): industrial/commercial;  
manufacturing, warehouse,  
store

Known Design Source: unknown

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**4. State/Federal Agency Certification**

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As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this \_\_\_\_\_ nomination \_\_\_\_\_ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property \_\_\_\_\_ meets \_\_\_\_\_ does not meet the National Register Criteria. \_\_\_\_\_ See continuation sheet.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of certifying official

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property \_\_\_\_\_ meets \_\_\_\_\_ does not meet the National Register criteria. \_\_\_\_\_ See continuation sheet.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of commenting or other official

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
State or Federal agency and bureau

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**7. Description**

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Describe present and historic physical appearance.

**Description Summary:**

202-06 West Pratt Street is a ca. 1870 three-story Italianate-influenced brick row building, nine bays wide. On the south facade, the street level features a cast iron storefront, including iron piers with recessed panels and Corinthian capitals defining the building's three sections and framing the entrances. On the upper stories, bold cast iron label moldings with pendant stops are located above the window openings. The entrances, display windows, and cornices appear to have been installed in the course of a recent rehabilitation.

**General Description:**

202-06 West Pratt Street is a three-story Italianate-influenced masonry row building, nine bays wide, apparently constructed about 1870. It is located on the north side of West Pratt Street, just west of Hopkins Place. The street level features a cast iron storefront: robust iron piers with recessed panels decorated with foliated swags and Corinthian capitals mark off the building's three sections; within each section, slender piers frame a central entrance. The entrances and display windows were installed in a recent rehabilitation. The storefront cornice is supported on scrolled brackets above a row of dentils. The upper stories are of brick, laid in common bond; on both levels, the nine bays are defined by window openings with rounded upper corners, holding 2/2 sash, and surmounted by iron label moldings with pendant stops. The building cornice is simple, comprising a slight overhang supported on small brackets above a banded frieze; this, like the storefront cornice, appears to be a product of recent rehabilitation work. The demolition of the structure which formerly adjoined the building on the west has exposed the party wall; on this elevation, openings have been created at ground level, and two oriels have been installed on the second story.

The building retains considerable integrity in its essential cast iron features. These elements were carefully preserved in the course of recent rehabilitation work; reconstructed features, such as the entrances, display windows, and cornices, are understated and are clearly distinguishable from original work.

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8. Statement of Significance

From 1895 (or earlier) to (at least) 1901, Stevens & Harmonson, wholesale druggists (Edwin J. Stevens & John H. Harmonson) were located at #206 (old 270½). Beginning in 1926, Charles DeWitt & Co. sold bottler's supplies at #206. By 1940, the Samler Machinery & Equipment Company, dealers in contractors' supplies, had become the occupant.

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8. Statement of Significance

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

Significance summary:

202-06 West Pratt Street is significant for its architecture. The three-story masonry building was constructed about 1870; its cast iron storefront and decorative detailing, most likely produced in a local foundry, represents a type of architecture which characterized commercial buildings in Baltimore in the latter half of the nineteenth century; many such buildings were lost in the fire of 1904. The building further reflects the expansion and renovation of Baltimore's commercial district which took place in the period following the Civil War. Its period of significance is defined as continuing until World War II, in accord with current National Park Service guidelines.

History & Support:

The three-story, nine-bay structure at 202-06 West Pratt Street apparently was constructed about 1870. The Sachse Bird's-Eye View of Baltimore, published in 1869, indicates a one-story structure on the site. Before 1879, a renumbering of this section of West Pratt Street appears to have taken place, perhaps associated with the construction of the present building; in that year, a Sanborn insurance map shows three connected three-story brick buildings at this location. The decorative detailing is consistent with a construction date early in the 1870s.

In 1879, the tenant of #268 (present #202) was Maurice Laupenheimer & Bro., wholesale druggists; they had moved by 1881, and in 1885 the property housed William Sauter, undertakers' supplies. George T. Mills & Co., wholesale shoes, occupied #202 from 1924 to 1929. The building was listed as vacant in 1930. In 1940, it housed a restaurant operated by Frank Rich.

From 1895 (or earlier) to (at least) 1906, Philip Lobe & Sons, wines and liquors occupied #204 (old #270). By 1921, #204 was occupied by Bronner, Marvel & Headley, commission merchants (Byland K. Headley, Joseph W. Bronner, and William T. Marvel); later in the 1920s, this firm was identified as dealers in wholesale produce, and was succeeded in 1927 by a poultry dealership operated by R. Kirk Headley, which continued in business at this location into the 1940s.

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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Baltimore City Directories, 1870s-1940s

## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Pratt Furniture Company

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

202-206 W. Pratt Street

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

VICINITY OF

COUNTY

**3 CLASSIFICATION****CATEGORY**

☐ DISTRICT  
☒ BUILDING(S)  
☐ STRUCTURE  
☐ SITE  
☐ OBJECT

**OWNERSHIP**

☐ PUBLIC  
☐ PRIVATE  
☐ BOTH

**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**

☐ IN PROCESS  
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

**STATUS**

☐ OCCUPIED  
☐ UNOCCUPIED  
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

**ACCESSIBLE**

☐ YES: RESTRICTED  
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED  
☐ NO

**PRESENT USE**

☐ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM  
☒ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK  
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE  
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS  
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC  
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION  
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET &amp; NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Records Office, Room 601

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Baltimore City Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

City of Baltimore Neighborhood Survey

DATE

1976

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☒ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDSCOMMISSION FOR HISTORICAL &  
ARCHITECTURAL PRESERVATION

CITY, TOWN

Room 900

STATE

26 South Calvert St.

Baltimore, Md. 21202

**7 DESCRIPTION**

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**CONDITION**

☒ EXCELLENT  
☐ GOOD  
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED  
☐ RUINS  
☐ UNEXPOSED

**CHECK ONE**

☒ UNALTERED  
☐ ALTERED

**CHECK ONE**

☒ ORIGINAL SITE  
☐ MOVED DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The three common bond painted brick buildings at 202-6 West Pratt Street sharing a common facade, appear to be a single structure. Each structure is three bays wide and three stories high. Symmetrical fenestration punctuates the facade. The <sup>flat arched windows</sup> ~~segmentally~~ ~~arched, double hung windows with~~ two-over-two lights are mounted by window caps with pellet molding and underlined by stone sills.

Corinthian pilasters divide the three separate storefront entrances flanked by display windows with double glass transoms. The larger outer pilasters are further detailed by foliated ornamentation on the shafts. Glass transoms cap the double wood doors with glass panels. A common bracketed cornice unites the ground story, and is capped by a sign bearing the name of the store.

A projecting entablature crowns the roof. The architrave is distinguished by string course molding. Detailed modillions bracket the cornice adorned by pellet and foliated jigsaw molding.

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## PERIOD

## AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES C. 1860

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This row of three identical business buildings have elaborate stone window hoods and first floor structural and ornamental cast-iron members which remain in excellent nearly original condition.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

Planning Assistants

ORGANIZATION

COMMISSION FOR HISTORICAL &  
ARCHITECTURAL PRESERVATION  
Room 900

DATE

March, 1976

STREET &amp; NUMBER

TELEPHONE

396-4866

CITY OR TOWN

South Calvert St.

STATE

Baltimore, Md. 21202

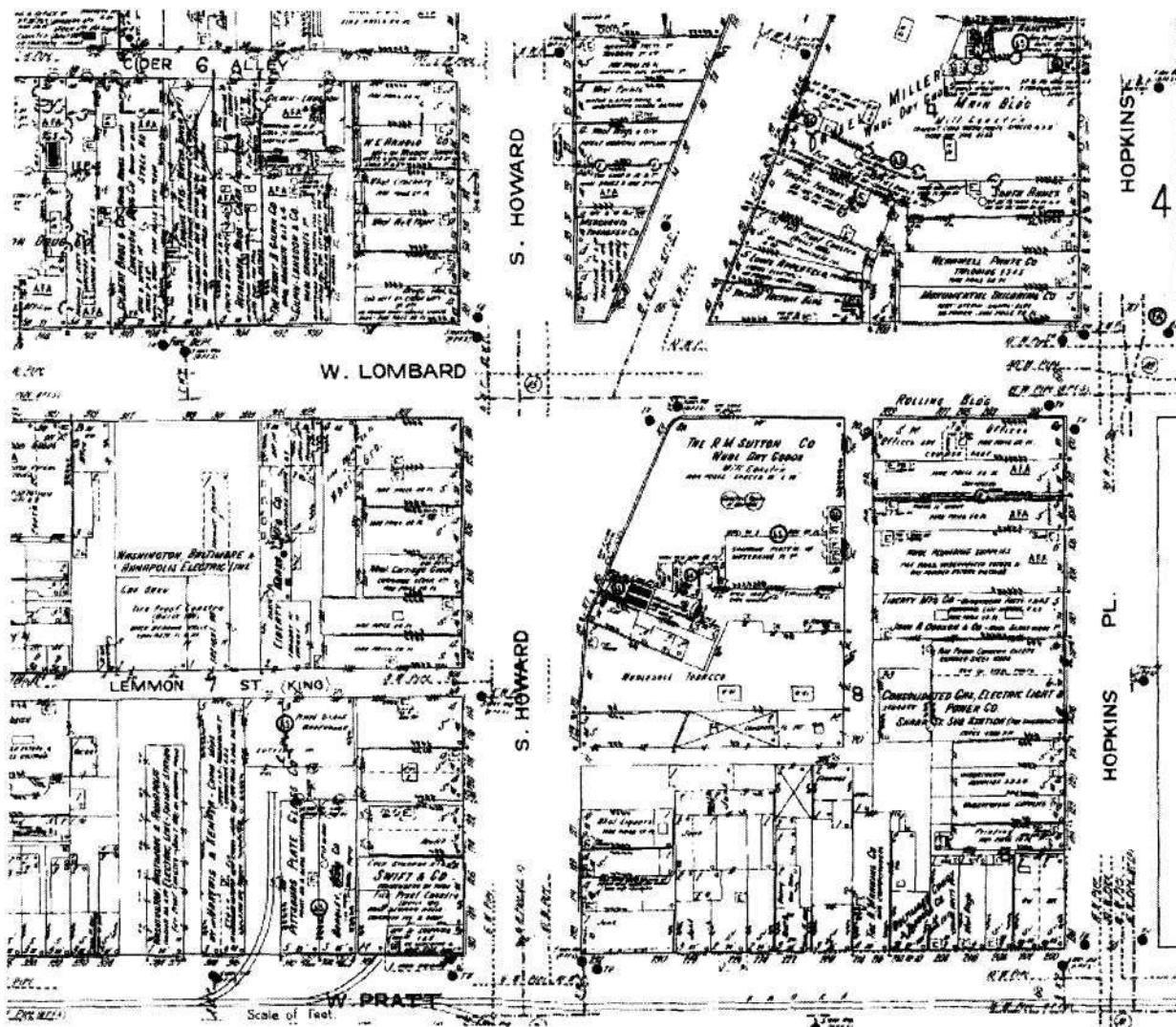
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Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

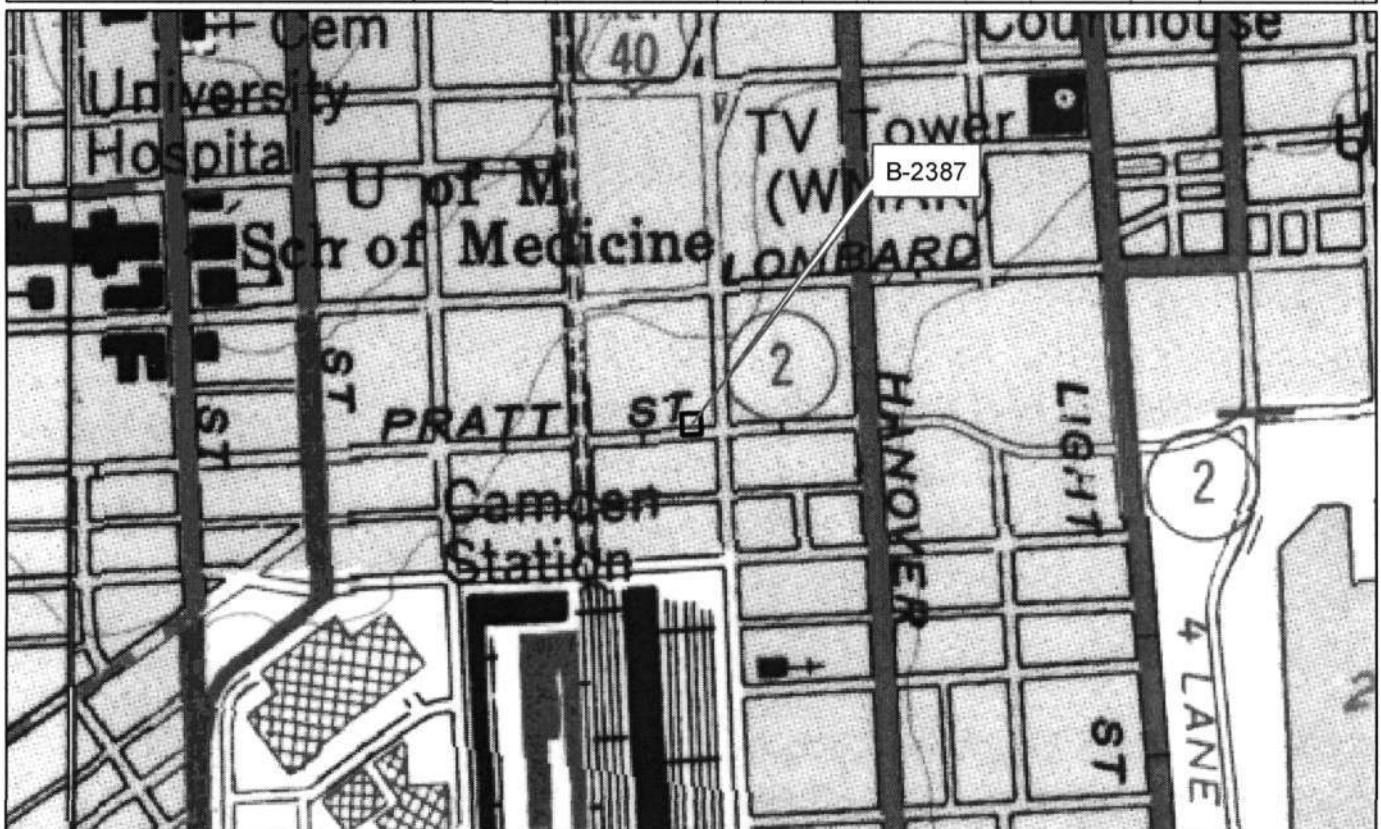
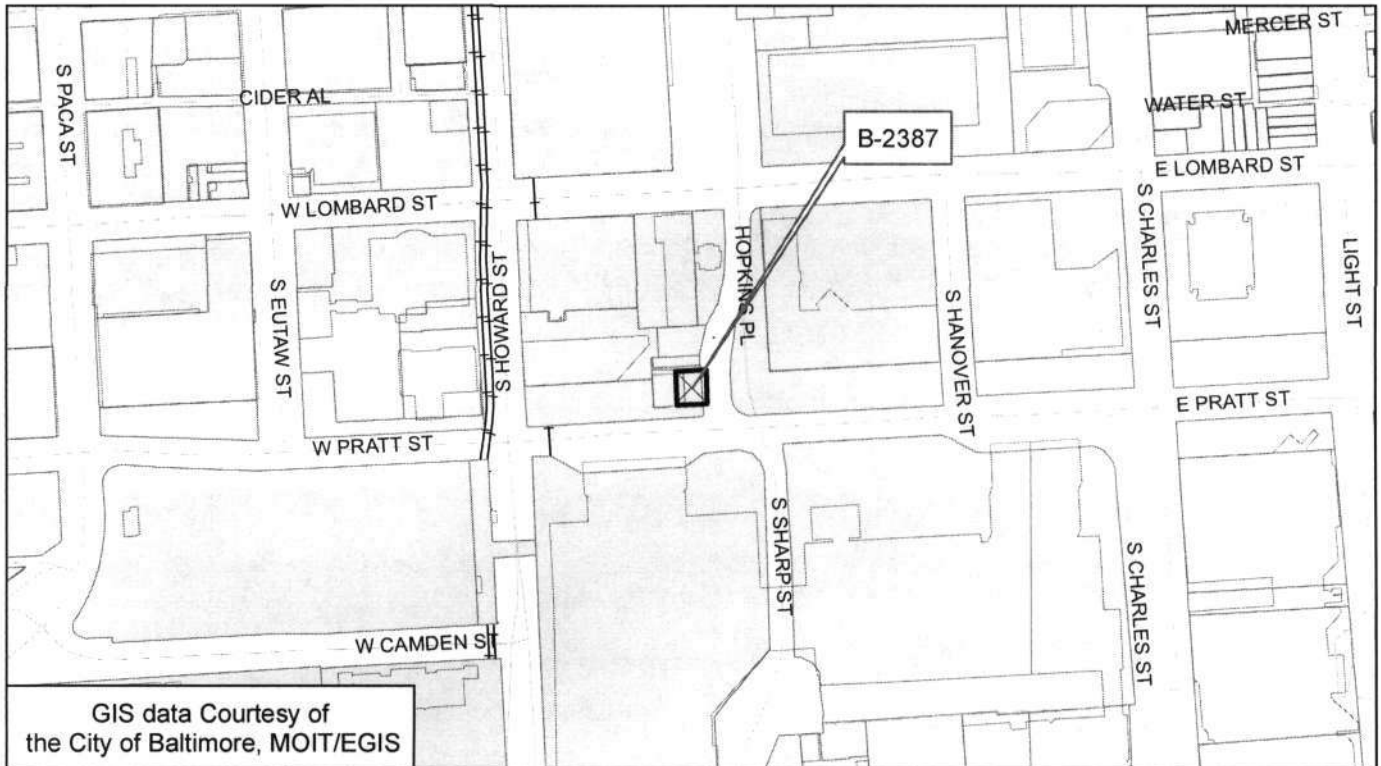
# Demolished

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P.J. Crickets (Pratt Furniture)  
202-206 W. Pratt Street  
Baltimore City  
Sanborn Map  
Baltimore 1914-1915 vol. 1, 1914, Sheet 3



**Demolished**

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P.J. Crcketts (Pratt Furniture)  
202-206 W. Pratt Street  
Block N/A Lot N/A  
Baltimore City  
Baltimore East Quad.





202-206 w. Pratt

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Neg #

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Block

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